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THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY :—" The amounts provided for water-supply schemes for Vridhachalam taluk during 1954–55 were Rs. 25,000 under the comprehensive scheme and Rs. 66,700 for seven works under the Local Development works programme respectively."

SRI M. KATTIMUTHU :—" விருத்தாசலம் தாலூகாவானது குடித் தண்ணீருக்கு மிகவும் அருந்தலான தாலூகாவாகும். அதனால் அந்தத் தாலூகாவில் அநேக இடங்களில் தண்ணீரில தொத்து நோய்கள் ஏற்படுகின்றன. ஆகவே, விருத்தாசலம் தாலூகாவிற்கு ஒதுக்கப்பட்டிருக்கும் தொகையை இன்னும் சற்று உயர்த்துவதோடு, ஒதுக்கிய தொகையையும் கூடிய சீக்கிரம் செலவு செய்து குடி தண்ணீருக்கு வசதி செய்து கொடுக்க சர்க்கார் முன்வருமா என்று கேட்கிறேன்."

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY :—" A sum of Rs. 25,950 was spent against the allotment of Rs. 25,000 under the Rural Water-supply Comprehensive Scheme and a sum of Rs. 19,330 was spent under Local Development Works Programme up to 31st March 1955. Under the Local Development Works Programme, seven bore-wells with overhead tanks and pipes are to be put up. This will take some time. It is hoped that the work will be completed during the present year."

Stamping of weights and measures

* 2263 *Q*.—SRI R. S. ARUMUGAM : Will the Hon. the Minister for Revenue be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether any representation from the merchants of Tirunelveli was received by him during his recent visit to Tirunelveli regarding the hardships caused to the merchant community of Tirunelveli by the inordinate delay in the Taluk Office in getting their weights and measures stamped by the concerned authorities; and

(*b*) the action taken thereon?

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU :—" (*a*) Yes, Sir. But the ' recent visit ' refers to the period as early as January of this year.

" (*b*) The services of persons responsible for delay in stamping weights and measure have been dispensed with."

Bombay-Cape Comorin Road

* 2264 *Q*.—SRI M. NARAYANA KURUP : Will the Hon. the Minister for Public Works be pleased to state—

(*a*) the length of Bombay-Cape Comorin Road included in this State;

(*b*) how many new bridges and strengthening of old bridges and culverts are necessary to complete the work;

(*c*) the estimated cost of the scheme;